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## Bounty Lands for Volunteers.

The undersigned has received the forms and specific instructions from Washington City, for procuring the Land Warrants or Scrip for Volunteers entitled to the same; and having printed forms, he is enabled to attend to the same on short notice, and at a low fee.

GEORGE A. CHAPMAN,  
Notary Public.

## Miami Lands.

By an official notice in another column, it will be seen that the sale of lands in the Miami district has been further postponed until May, 1848.

## The County Ticket.

The Journal exhibits the whigs to adhere to their County Ticket in full, and for those candidates only who were the nominees of the Whig convention. It thinks it of the highest party importance that the Convention nominees for county offices should be adhered to;—yet if we are not mistaken it thinks, and has intimated, that in the highly important matter of a presidential election, conventions "for the purpose of a compromise of choices," is a matter of doubt, if not of danger. Why this difference? Can't every body tell?

While thus exhorting the Whigs to adhere to the regularly nominated whig convention county candidates, the Journal seems to have forgotten the stand it thought it expedient to take for Mr. McCarty's benefit in the Congressional canvass. They would not regard his election as a party triumph! Oh no! Democrats might very safely desert their own regularly nominated candidate for Congress, and vote for Mr. McCarty, and the Journal would very quietly pocket "the sinners," and would not chuckle at all over the soft-headed loofcoos, who would thus send an uncompromising Whig to Congress.

The Journal thus concludes its appeal in favor of the regularly nominated county candidates: "On the eve of another Presidential election, the result of the August election is of great importance. It will most probably, tell in what way the State will be cast for President. Let the Whigs of Marion think of that, and bestir themselves for a general and united vote on the first Monday of next month."

We need not tell the Democrats that the result of the contest in this Congressional district will have quite as important a bearing on the next Presidential election, as the result in the county of Marion. The next Congress may have to choose the President, and one vote may decide that choice. If there is a single Democrat therefore who has intended to vote for Mr. McCarty on account of personal considerations, let him beware! Let him hesitate how he votes his own sovereign authority to legislate in Congress, and to send Presidents into the hands of a man in whose political principles he has no confidence, and who, in all probability would act contrary to democratic ideas of right.

If the county officers are all of the utmost consequence to the whigs for the reasons stated, the member of Congress is certainly of no less importance to the Democracy and to the country.

## Mysterious Affair.

A gentleman writing to Governor Whitcomb, from Philadelphia, under date of the 10th of July, inst., says that a white woman, aged 25 or 30 years, was found dead in a forest near the city of Camden, New Jersey, about the 26th of May last, supposed to have been murdered. She had resided in or near Philadelphia for about a year past, and represented that she was a native of Indiana; to which State, in hours of despondency, she expressed a strong desire to return. She said she had been twice married, and was brought to that part of the country by her second husband. While at Philadelphia he robbed her of \$30, after which she went to New Jersey to "service," to gain a living. Her name she stated was "Mary Ann Williams." It is supposed by many (states the letter) that she was taken from this State by some person to prevent her from disclosing something within her knowledge of a criminal nature—perhaps murder. The Governor of New Jersey has offered \$500 reward for the apprehension of the murderer.

The papers of this State may subserve the cause of justice, and aid in unravelling the mystery in this affair by re-publication of this article, or the substance of it.

On the 10th inst., Wheat was worth but 50 cents per bushel at Indianapolis.

The Madison Banner attempts to make political capital out of the above, for the benefit of John S. Davis, the whig nominee for Congress, but who is too smart to resign his senatorial seat. The Banner and Davis must be hard run. The reason why wheat is at so low a price here is owing to the circumstance that nearly all our mills were stopped by the breaking of the canal, and the probability that it will not be repaired for some time, and also because it costs half the worth of wheat to wagon it to a better market. While the price of wheat is however but 50 cts, flour sells, for the reason above stated, at \$2.00 to \$2.25 per 100 lbs. or \$4 to \$4.50 per barrel; much more than the present price at Cincinnati.

The conductors of the Indiana Journal and Mr. McCarty, the Whig candidate for Congress, affirm that the war with Mexico owes its origin to wicked purposes; but they nevertheless declare that they are willing to see supplies voted to carry it on with vigor, and frequently blame the President because, as they say, he does not prosecute the war with sufficient energy. At the same time they say that they want no conquests—no additional territory—no dismemberment of Mexico: of course they are willing the war should be carried on merely for the sake of carnage and slaughter! If they don't mean this, what do they mean?

If the editor of the Journal is really in favor of Gen. Taylor as the "no party" candidate for the presidency, why does he not put the General's name at the head of his columns to that effect? Does he dare to do this?

A shrewd Yankee has recently arrived at New York from China, with a Chinese Junk, and a great variety of curiosities, for exhibition. She was 212 days on the passage. Her crew consisted of 40 Chinamen and 20 Europeans. The vessel cost \$75,000.

Another solemn act.—A letter from Rome, dated 30th ult., states that the Holy Father has appointed a commission, composed of the highest ecclesiastics and most noble ladies, to ameliorate the condition of the Jews.

## More Whig Abuse of our Volunteers.

The Louisville Courier has seemed to vie with the Louisville Journal in its abusive attacks upon the Indiana volunteers, especially since the battle of Buena Vista. One of its latest chaffs of spite is the following, relative to the re-appointment of Brig. Gen. Lane:

"Another most unfortunate appointment! In actual ignorance of military duties, and in an entire lack of all the requisites of a skillful commander, we are compelled to regard Gen. Lane as about on a par with Gen. Putlow. His want of military knowledge displayed at Buena Vista, was the cause of the loss of many brave men under his command, and came very near losing the victory. Gen. Lane has much, very much, to answer for, and an outraged and injured public will yet compel him to answer for the calamities his incompetency occasioned the brave Indiana Volunteers."

Upon this the Cincinnati Enquirer remarks—

"Generals Taylor and Wool, give entirely a different account of Gen. Lane's conduct and services, upon the field at Buena Vista,—but we suppose they know very little of the matter, compared with the common slander of the Courier. It is probable that having no party purposes to serve in the preparation of official documents, they were fully as candid and impartial judges, as the man who, sagely censured in his arm chair at home, endeavors to manufacture political capital by traducing the brave men who have been engaged in serving the country in the field."

In thus abusing Gen. Lane, the Courier gratifies its propensities in two particulars: first, its spite against the volunteers of this State which it has libeled from the beginning; and secondly, that hatred of every democratic General in the field, which is felt in common by nearly all the whig papers, and which has manifested itself on every occasion that offered itself, or which they could create. Santa Anna, in their opinion, is a splendid General and a brave man—second only to Gen. Taylor; but the democratic Generals on our side, they say, are all fools or cowards, and entirely unfit for the stations they occupy. Their judgment is just about equivalent to their patriotism, and both are very conspicuously developed. Talk about the Tories and cowboys of the Revolution! They were not half as mean as the Mexican whigs of today, though they may have been as treacherous in disposition.

We invite attention, by the way, to a reply of Gen. Lane to the recent attack of Marshall of Ky., which has been accidentally delayed in consequence of the pressure of other matter. It exposes some of the misrepresentations as well as the false positions assumed by Marshall.

John E. Kingsbury, one of the abolition committee, appointed to question the whig and democratic candidates for Congress, has a funny manifesto in the last "Free Press," which is very much after the grandiloquent style of Santa Anna, and the plain object of which is, to stimulate such abolitionists as himself, to vote for McCarty instead of their own candidate. Take the following as fair specimens of the ridiculous affair:

"Let, I never will suffer five ignorant negro slaves to represent my interest in Congress, when three intelligent white freemen can be made to take their place."

This means, we suppose, that three white freemen can be made out of five black slaves! Certainly a miraculous transubstantiation, to be accomplished probably by an equally wonderful translocation!—something perhaps after the manner of the "sweating process" of Grafenberg's Water Cure. Mr. Kingsbury, it appears, is ignorant of the fact that while only three-fifths of the slave population is counted as a part of the basis of representation,—all the colored population is counted in the free States for the same purpose. Mr. Kingsbury—take our hat!

Again:

"I never will complain of negro association, so long as the President, Senate, House of Representatives, and most of the principal officers of the General Government to which I belong, hold the tenure of their office by the ratio influence of a class of beings, (the negro slaves) more degraded than the horse I ride, or the dog that guards my house, and for fear I should affront my superiors by a seeming neglect of consideration to their black constituency."

Better and more of it—the pathos only excelled by the bathos. White freemen it would appear, are to be translocated not only out of black slaves, but also out of beings more degraded than horses or dogs! Wonderful alchemist! Thy transcendent genius shall be chaunted in shin-bone alley by every pennyman therein, and thy ears shall be regaled forever by the music of "de ole jaw-bone," and the car-bellering rattle of the jolly castanets. You "will never complain of negro association." No, indeed! You shall rejoice at it and be glad; its perfumes shall regale your olfactory with sweets unrivaled out of Africa; and this glorious conglomeration of delicious influences, shall evermore act as a healing balm to your afflicted spirit, and insure it against every future infection of loathsome or "anti-bank by-trophical."

Having executed these empirical digits, Mr. Kingsbury suddenly lets himself down to the lower region of defamation, in which he assails Judge Wick with the second hand and refuted imputations derived from the Journal; and of fulsome adulation, with which he batters Mr. McCarty, in the hope of making him pass muster, by the help of the Whig proviso himself, as a candidate good enough for the abolitionists. This part of Mr. Kingsbury's communication is about as logical as the extracts we have quoted above. Its absurdities might afford amusement to our readers, but we cannot afford the space necessary to exhibit them. To those who are curious, we would commend the Free Press of the 16th, which contains it, under a note in which Mr. De Puy, with a good deal of covert humor, calls to it "special attention."

"The John Smith, Jr.," correspondent of the National Era, is a small chap, we suppose. Speaking of the late dinner given in New York to Mr. Winston, late representative of the United States to Vienna, he says—

"After Mr. Gallatin retired, the Hon. Luther Bradish, formerly Lieutenant Governor of the State, took the chair. He is a large, coarse, heavy man, but without a good deal of natural dignity and abundant self-possession, of which a perpetual smile gives you full assurance. In fact, Mr. Bradish is an admirable representative of that class of men, who, by virtue of large bones, a large voice, a large swagger, and a large head of fuzzy hair, are always chosen to preside at public meetings, act as foreman of grand juries, and, unfortunately, enjoy the lion's share on all occasions of public and private gazing. Who ever saw a little, active, smart, intellectual man, in the chair at a public dinner?"

Perhaps it is true, that in all such cases beef attains a preponderating influence over brains. Why should it not? It is certainly apropos; for beef should form the basis of all good dinners, whether public or private. Give us beef before brains, any day! Little men are never overrated—except perhaps by women. They may console themselves by the reflection that the good opinion of one woman is worth that of ten men—all the time.

A SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—From passengers in this morning's northern stage, we learn that Mr. Pettit was thrown from his buggy yesterday in the vicinity of West Point, breaking one leg near the knee in the fall. His horse had frightened, and was running off, when the accident occurred.—Cincinnati People's Friend, July 17.

A machine is in operation at New York for dressing barrel staves. It will make 7000 barrel staves, or 4000 heads staves, in ten hours.

## Gen. Taylor's Letters.

Relative to the letter to the editor of the Cincinnati Signal, about which the Taylor paper at Washington city cursed so roundly, swearing it was a forgery, and that the Signal editor was a very great fool, if not a rascal, &c., the Cincinnati Commercial of the 13th inst., has the following:

"THE SECRET OCT.—We learned night before last, the story and substance of Gen. Taylor's letter to the Signal, and to the city. It was so perverted to do by Col. Mitchell, of the 1st Regiment of Ohio Volunteers who was at Monterey at the time. Col. Mitchell informed us, in a conversation night before last, that at the time Gen. Taylor was at Monterey, he had some letters before him, requesting his answers and defining his position, from the National Whig at Washington, down to the smallest small potato affair in the country. Col. Mitchell was second in command at Monterey, and was a close friend of Gen. Taylor, and it was by his advice that Gen. Taylor answered the Signal, in a way so peculiar to himself which has so confused the mind of the old hero's course in writing the letter. Col. Mitchell would write no more letters. The old General answered: 'That agrees with my views exactly. I will write no more letters.' Col. Mitchell also informed us, that at the time Gen. 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